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Thank you for your letter to Mr. Casey for whom I am replying. We appreciate your support for a strong U.S. intelligence service.

One of the burdens we must bear is our inability to correct erroneous media accounts of alleged Agency activities. To combat media inaccuracies, we would have to disclose what it is we are doing, thereby jeopardizing our sensitive sources and operational mechanisms. Frankly, sometimes the temptation is strong to answer back but we must resist it if we are to have an able, strong intelligence service. It is for these reasons I cannot be more responsive to your interest. I know you will understand.

Sincerely,

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George W. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs



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MR. WILLIAM CASEY

DIRECTOR - CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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DEAR MR. CASEY:

AS A CONCERNED AMERICAN AND A STRONG ADVOCATE OF A SOUND FOREIGN POLICY I AM EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH THE REVITALIZATION THE AGENCY HAS TAKEN UNDER THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION AND YOUR QUALIFIED GUIDANCE. I HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT WITH A STRONG INTELLIGENCE AGENCY IT IS PARAMOUNT THAT WE DETER THE INTERESTS OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, DRUG TRAFFICKING, AND THE CONSTANT THREAT OF SOVIET THEFT OF U.S. TECHNOLOGY.

HOWEVER, IN A RECENT ARTICLE IN THE JUNE 25, EDITION OF NEWSWEEK MAGAZINE "THE ASIAN CONECTION" I WAS SURPRISED TO READ THE FAILURE OR MISCALCULATION THAT THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION, THE THAI BORDER PATROL, [REDACTED] HAS RECENTLY HAD IN THIS AREA OF SOUTHEAST ASIA KNOWN AS "THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE." SURELY AFTER OUR INVOLVEMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA IN THE LAST TWENTY YEARS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RETAIN SOME FRIENDLIES WHO WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE IN HELPING OUR INTERESTS IN RESOLVING THE AMOUNT OF HEROIN THAT COMES INTO THE U.S.

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IN THIS RECENT ARTICLE IT IS ALSO MENTIONED THAT THE MAFIA HAS BEGUN AN ALLIANCE WITH THE CRIME FAMILIES OF CHINA WHO HAVE OPERATED A LONG TIME IN THIS PARTICULAR COMMODITY. IS IT AT ALL POSSIBLE TO WORK THROUGH THE MAFIA TO CREAT A SQUEEZE PLAY ? IN ORDER TO FLUSH OUT THESE HEROIN WAR LORDS.

MR. CASEY OR TO WHOMEVER THIS LETTER CONCERNS, MY APOLOGY IF THIS LETTER APPEARS TO BE A QUESTIONNAIRE OF GRIEVANCES, IT IS NOT. I AM SURE THAT YOUR AGENCY RECIEVES ITS AMPLE AMOUNT OF JUNK MAIL RANGING FROM THE WEAK WHO WOULD WANT TO SEE YOUR AGENCY DISBANDED TO THE SEVERE WHO WOULD WELCOME NUCLEAR WAR.

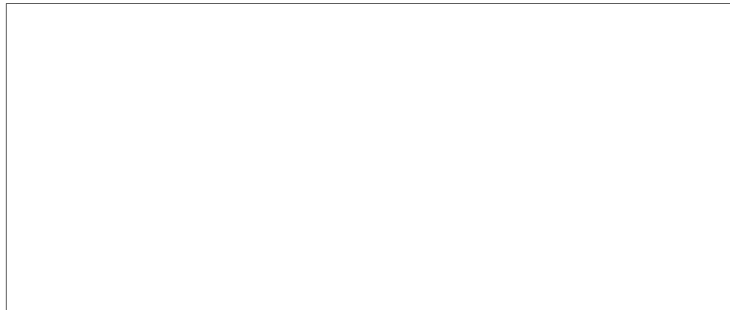
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I AM NEITHER OF THIS, BUT I AM A TWENTY-THREE YEAR
OLD AMERICAN CITIZEN WHO IS CONCERNED AND GREATLY
INTERESTED WITH OUR STRATEGY ON POLICIES ABROAD.

IF AT ALL POSSIBLE COULD YOU SEND SOME LITERATURE OR
A RESPONSE THAT WOULD ENLIGHTEN ME ON THESE QUESTIONS.

NOTE: I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND AS YOUR AGENCY POLICY
PROBABLY DEPICTS, THERE WILL BE NO RECORD OF
THIS CONTACT.



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